

## **How to Comment during the Public Scoping Period**

### **For**

### **Sugar Pine Project Water Right, Permit #15375, Extension and Radial Gates Installation**

A Notice of Intent to prepare an EIS was published in the Federal Register on September 2, 2016; publication of this notice initiated the formal 30-day public scoping period. During the scoping period, the TNF is requesting public comments concerning all components of the project. The purpose of the scoping period is to inform potentially interested parties about the project and provide an early and meaningful opportunity for public involvement. Your questions and comments regarding the proposed project are an integral part of the environmental analysis process. Responses should include: 1) name, address, telephone number and organization represented, if any, 2) include "Sugar Pine Project" in the heading and 3) specific concerns or issues, and supporting reasons why they should be considered; the most helpful comments for purposes of the environmental analysis are those that demonstrate a cause and effect relationship between the proposed action or alternatives and concerns or issues raised.

**Written comments must be submitted via mail, electronically or in person (Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.) to: Eli Ilano, Tahoe National Forest Supervisor, c/o NEPA Contractor, 2525 Warren Drive, Rocklin, CA 95677 or email comments to: [sugarpinecomments@ecorpconsulting.com](mailto:sugarpinecomments@ecorpconsulting.com).**

This project will be subject to the regulations at 36 CFR 218 for the *Project-level Predecisional Administrative Review Process* (Parts A and B). For purposes of meeting the 36 CFR 218.5 standing eligibility requirements, the public scoping period will end 30 days from the date notice is published in the Federal Register. Individuals and entities who have submitted timely, specific written comments regarding a proposed project or activity during public comment periods, including this 30-day public scoping period, may file an objection (36 CFR 218.5(a)). Written comments received, including the names and addresses of those who comment, will be considered part of the public record on this proposal and will be available for public inspection (36 CFR 218.25(b)(2)). Comments submitted anonymously will be considered, but will not meet standing requirements under 36 CFR 218 regulations.

Two public meetings will be held. One will be on September 19, 2016 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Veterans Memorial Hall, 24601 Harrison Street, in Foresthill California; the other meeting will be on September 20, 2016 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at ECORP Consultants, 2529 Warren Drive in Rocklin, California. Representatives from the TNF and Foresthill will be present to provide information on the project and answer questions in an open house format meeting.